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Honorable Valerie E. Caproni
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York

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**Re: United States v. Jose Almonte
12 Cr. 64 (VEC)**

Dear Judge Caproni,

I write regarding Jose Almonte's pending violation of supervised release. In connection with this matter, defense counsel requested records from Empire State Forensics, which contracts with the Probation Department to provide sex offender treatment to Mr. Almonte. I have been informed by Probation Officer Courtney Cooke that the Probation Department needs court permission to release records related to Mr. Almonte to his defense counsel. Accordingly, I write to request that the Court authorize the Probation Department and Empire State Forensics to release Empire State Forensics' evaluations and treatment records related to Mr. Almonte to his defense counsel. Thank you for consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sarah Baumgartel
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cc: AUSA Jane Chong (by ECF)

Application GRANTED.

SO ORDERED.

Valerie Caproni
12/30/21

HON. VALERIE CAPRONI
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE